

Forest Land- Gadchiroli

Diversion of 1.6975 ha. Forest Land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the Road in RoW of ODR-62, VR-91, SH-381 and SH-380 from Todsa to Gatta Route in Etapalli Tehsil of Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

**Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forest Department
Government Order No.: FLD-36A23/C.R.113/F-10
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032.
Date: 14.10.2024**

Ref.:

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Gadchiroli/ ID-418733/71/2023-24, Dated-06/04/2023
- 2) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government Order No. FLD-36A23/C.R.113/F-10, dt.19.05.2023.
- 3) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-418733/Gadchiroli/1258, dt.22.08.2024.

Order :

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal to the State Government, which was received from M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune for 1.6975 ha. Forest Land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the Road in RoW of ODR-62, VR-91, SH-381 and SH-380 from Todsa to Gatta Route in Etapalli Tehsil of Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, Government of Maharashtra after due consideration, vide its order under reference No. 2 accorded 'in-principle' approval with certain conditions to above proposal for diversion of 1.6975 ha. Forest land under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letters under reference No.3 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of Maharashtra;

NOW, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred to State Government under general approval given vide MoEF&CC, Government of India's Handbook of Guidelines for effective and transparent implementation of the provisions of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 [Chapter-4, Para-4.2],

Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant **Final Approval** for Diversion of 1.6975 ha. Forest Land.

Therefore, the Government of Maharashtra directs that 1.6975 ha. Forest Land consisting of Reserved Forest/ Protected Forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No.1 and mentioned in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the Road in RoW of ODR-62, VR-91, SH-381 and SH-380 from Todsa to Gatta Route in Etapalli Tehsil of Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the Order dated 19.05.2023.
2. For ensuring the compliances and for monitoring the duly prescribed activities and also to carry out other statutory duties, user agency shall facilitate unhindered access/entry in the area to the local forest Officer. In case the user agency prohibits the free access or create hindrances, the permission given under this Order for the diversion of forest area for the non-forest use shall be withdrawn.
3. The Chief Conservator of Forests / Deputy Conservator of Forests will reconfirm that compliances under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 are not needed for the project.
4. The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the above mentioned 'in-principle' and in this order of Government of Maharashtra. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Gadchiroli shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency. CCF will furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
5. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Government of Maharashtra's order dated 19.05.2023, in this order and Rules and Guidelines made / issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
6. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests / Deputy Conservator of Forests shall report through the State Government to Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in the guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

SCHEDULE

Sr. No.	Name of Village	Details of Forest Land Required						Legal Status of Land
		Survey No.	Comp. No.	Length (mts.)	Width (mts.)	Area		
						Sq. Mtr	Hact.	
1	Todsa	82/1/1/1	SE372	900	0.5	450	0.0450	RF/PF
2	Petha (S)	46, 100, 6	SE372	150	0.5	75	0.0075	RF/PF
			SE269	3100	0.5	1550	0.1550	RF/PF
			SE270	1300	0.5	650	0.0650	RF/PF
3	Bande	10/1/1	SE 273	3850	0.5	1925	0.1925	RF/PF
4	Hedri	101	SE 274	800	0.5	400	0.0400	RF/PF
			SE 275	2600	0.5	1300	0.1300	RF/PF
5	Mungner	35/1, 68/1	SE 275	300	0.5	150	0.0150	RF/PF
			SE 298	300	0.5	150	0.0150	RF/PF
			SE 297	300	0.5	150	0.0150	RF/PF
			35	SE 299	600	0.5	300	0.0300
		26	SE298	500	0.5	250	0.0250	RF/PF
			SE 300	1300	0.5	650	0.0650	RF/PF
6	Surjagad	70	SE300	1000	0.5	500	0.0500	RF/PF
		58	SE304	1450	0.5	725	0.0725	RF/PF
		31, 28	SE307	800	0.5	400	0.0400	RF/PF
7	Nender	8	SE308	600	0.5	300	0.0300	RF/PF
		8	SE311	1600	0.5	800	0.0800	RF/PF
8	Adange	7, 1, 8, 75	SE311	900	0.5	450	0.0450	RF/PF
			SE312	400	0.5	200	0.0200	RF/PF
			SE316	2100	0.5	1050	0.1050	RF/PF
			SE321	400	0.5	200	0.0200	RF/PF
9	Jambhiya	87/1, 237/1/1, 259	SE320	1200	0.5	600	0.060	RF/PF
			SE319	600	0.5	300	0.03	RF/PF
			SE 319	2000	0.5	1000	0.1000	RF/PF
10	Gatta (S)	87	GA452, GA453	2100	0.5	1050	0.1050	RF/PF
		39	GA453	200	0.5	100	0.0100	RF/PF
			GA454	2600	0.5	1300	0.1300	RF/PF
Total Forest Land (in ha.)							1.6975	

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Copy to:

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur

3. Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
6. APCCF& Chief Executive Officer (Maha-CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
8. Collector, Gadchiroli.
9. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli.
10. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli.
11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamaragarh Forest Division, Allapalli.
12. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune .
13. Select File-F-10

- I. Collector- Gadchiroli, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Gadchiroli and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamaragarh Forest Division, Allapalli are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.
- II. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune is hereby directed that they should publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No.etc. along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the State Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Gadchiroli & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamaragarh Forest Division, Allapalli.
- III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.